

How to Detect the Alum Baking Powder

"Which are the alum baking powders; how can I avoid them unless they are named?" asks a housekeeper.

Here is one way: take the can of a low-priced powder in your hand and read the ingredient clause upon the back label. The law requires that if the powder contains alum that fact must be there stated. If you find one of the ingredients named alum, or sulphate of aluminum, you have found an alum baking powder.

There is another and a better way. You don't have to know the names of the alum powders. Use Royal Baking Powder only; that assures you a cream of tartar powder, and the purest and most healthful baking powder beyond question.

VESTABURG

Dance at the M. W. A. hall election night.

Fred Cornell was at Grand Rapids Saturday.

Judge Messenger of Stanton was in town Friday on business.

Dr. Hubbard, daughter, Mary and son, Donald, were in Stanton Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Skidmore have moved in the B. M. Winchell residence.

The R. N. of A. will serve dinner at the M. W. A. hall election day. Price, 20 cents.

Several friends of Mrs. Lucy Briggs surprised her at her home Friday evening. All report a good time.

J. E. Skidmore, who has a position with the Beatrice Creamery Co. of Chicago left for that city Monday evening.

Mrs. Clara Green and daughter, Beatrice, of Wheeler, visited her cousin, Mrs. Wm. Caris, and other relatives the past week.

Mrs. Mary Venton returned Wednesday from Mablevale, Ark., where she has been spending the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Mary Maghar.

Mrs. J. Schnepf of Riverdale, who has been a guest of Mrs. Catherine Marlin and other relatives the past week returned to her home Monday.

The Vestaburg Indoor basketball team organized Friday, March 27, clashed with the Riverdale indoor team at the M. W. A. hall Saturday evening. Score 10 to 20, in favor of Vestaburg.

A fast and snappy game of basketball took place between the Edmore Indoor and Vestaburg Indoor at the M. W. A. hall. Score 7 to 28 in favor of Vestaburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Manley entertained the latter's mother, Mrs. Ed. Priest, of Lansing, the latter part of the week, who was en route to her new home near Ewart. Her daughter, Franky, accompanied her.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cummings were pleasantly surprised by a number of their friends Wednesday evening, March 25, at their home, the occasion being Mrs. Cummings' birthday anniversary. The evening was spent socially and with music. Assisting the hostess in serving luncheon at twelve were Mrs. S. Malory, Mrs. William Caris and Mrs. Nina Murphy.

ST. LOUIS NEWS

Miss Ruth Ingersoll has been sick for the past two weeks.

Miss Edith Lowry is spending her vacation with her parents.

Mrs. A. E. Madden is spending this week in Clare with relatives.

Frank Housel attended the masque party in Alma Tuesday evening.

Many St. Louis people attended the Alma Horse Show Saturday.

R. V. Faurot has repaired and painted the inside of his barber shop on Main street.

A triple birthday part was celebrated at the residence of Mrs. Frank Mead on Monday evening in honor of Mrs. Frank Mead, J. D. Rumberger and Robert Hamp.

The T. T. and D. club of St. Louis have issued invitations for a party in the I. O. O. F. hall for the night of Easter Monday eve. Grand march at 9 o'clock. Tuller's orchestra of Grand Rapids.

Stanley Martin leaves Monday for New York where he will make his future home. Mr. Martin has been one of the most well-liked and talented fellows in St. Louis High for the three past years. He is the best tenor singer in St. Louis by far, was an athlete, a member of the Glee club and chorus and a good student. He worked at Messinger's clothing store and paid his own way through school. He will be missed among the fellows and by the teachers and all of his friends.

George Nickerson was in Stanton on business Monday.

Fred Reader and Bert Bridwell were in Alma Saturday.

Claude Manley returned from Lansing Saturday evening.

Malcom Walker of Riverdale is here visiting his grand parents.

Mrs. B. Elliott entertained Mrs. Clint Caszett of Blanchard Friday.

Edith Vance of Ithaca is a guest of her sister, Mrs. Charles Marlin.

Mrs. Lucy Briggs and son, Malin, were in Alma on business Saturday.

Mrs. William Caris and son, Audley were Stanton callers Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Manley and son were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Davencourt of Riverdale Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Tanner were called to Hillsdale Thursday to see the latter's father, who is very sick.

Rev. Wheeler is to preach at the Church of Christ Sunday evening, April 12. All are invited to attend.

Charles Rhoades and Charles Snyder attended the M. W. A. county convention held at Edmore Wednesday.

Miss Vera Nickerson of Stanton, who has been visiting at the home of her uncle, Mr. and Mrs. George Nickerson since Saturday, returned to her home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Huntley and son and mother, Mrs. Huntley, arrived from Lansing Saturday evening to visit the latter's daughter, Mrs. Freeman Evans.

Paul Bridwell, who has been a guest the past week at the home of his uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Bridwell, left Monday morning with Mrs. J. T. Bridwell for their new home in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. William Wartz, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Sherwood, Mr. Frank Cummings, Mrs. Eva Beach and Mrs. Myrt Cummings were in St. Louis on Tuesday attending the funeral of their aunt, Mrs. Elizabeth Waldron.

Mrs. Elizabeth J. Waldron, passed away at the home of her niece, Mrs. Wm. Wartz, Sunday, March 29, 1914, aged 81 years, 2 months and 7 days. After services at the house Tuesday morning, March 31, the remains were taken to the Baptist church at St. Louis where funeral services were conducted. Interment was made in the St. Louis cemetery.

Arthur Finch is again working in St. Louis.

Miss Arlo Carnahan was a guest of Alma friends Saturday.

George and Robert Green are visiting relatives in Durand this week.

Otto Roth of Flint is the guest of Miss Edith Van Leuven for several days.

Cook Bros. have completed papering and remodeling the interior of the Christian church.

One week from today will be held the regular annual Easter supper at the Christian church.

Tuesday evening a supper was served at the home of Mrs. Kirk Hildreth by the Baptist ladies.

Two showers were given in honor of Miss Neva Perrine and William Nesen, who were married yesterday. One at Nesen's Monday evening and one at the home of John Faurot Monday evening.

Rev. H. H. Jackson, recently the minister of the Episcopal church of St. Louis, died at his home in Detroit Friday night with pneumonia. Mr. Jackson left St. Louis only a few months ago in fine health, and was one of the most prominent and popular men in the city. He was especially a friend of the younger boys and led a group of K. O. K. A. fellows and was looked upon as an ideal man and leader. His death is mourned deeply by his former congregation and his friends in this city.

Elwell News Items

The Lady Macabees of Elwell entertained the ladies of the Summer and Alma Hives last Saturday, serving dinner to about 30 visitors. An interesting program filled the afternoon in which Mrs. F. E. Clow, Deputy Great Commander, proved her exceptional ability as an entertainer. Among the wishes expressed at Roll Call were wishes for autos, anti-fat and that hoop skirts would be again fashionable. Little Doris Slingluff wished she had been born a millionaire. Mrs. Clifford Gee drew a china cup and saucer as a prize in a drawing contest.

Mrs. Jane Waldron, who has been living with the family of William Wertz of Vestaburg, died Sunday night, March 22, aged 81 years 2 months and 7 days. Mrs. Waldron was one of the early pioneers having come to this county in 1856. She was thrice married and was the mother of two children, but she was the last of all her family to pass over the river. Prayer was offered at the house Tuesday morning by Rev. A. W. Baker of Riverdale and the remains were taken by train to St. Louis where the funeral was held in the Baptist church of which the deceased had been a member for the past 20 years.

Forest Hill News

Little Homer Towersey is on the sick list.

Rev. Noffsinger is seriously ill at this writing.

The last number of the lecture course will be given April 15.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanbaugh spent Saturday and Sunday in Ithaca.

Earl and Leon Pembroke of Alma are visiting relatives here for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Medler and little son of Alma visited his father Sunday.

Mack Wood and Dewey Failing attended the boys' conference at Ithaca last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Rearrick are giving a party for their daughter, Miss Daisy, this Monday evening.

Bernice and Ward Small of the St. Louis high school are spending their vacation with their uncle, William Vanderbeek.

Mrs. L. B. Leonard has gone to Coe to attend the wedding of her niece, Miss Neva Perrine to William Neisson of Cadillac April 1st.

The school is having a week's vacation, and the teachers, Mr. and Mrs. Brewer and Mrs. Capen will visit at McBride, Riverdale and Saginaw.

West Pine River

H. F. Pettit started the first plowing in this neighborhood Monday.

William Adams purchased an iron-gray team last week.

James Hartman spent the first of the week near Durand on business.

Wm. Sullivan has sold his lambs to parties in St. Louis.

Robert Fleming is the owner of a new driving horse.

Surprised Their Wives.

On the pretext of spending a quiet social evening the members of the Fanatic Club were enticed by their husbands to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wright where they found the other club members and their husbands. Pedro was the pastime for the evening, in which Mrs. Wright and Mrs. Decatur Coleman were awarded the prizes. At midnight they went to the Hub Cafe where an elaborate supper was served. The occasion proved to the "Fanatics" that men know how to show their wives a good time.

Superintendent of Charlevoix Schools.

Harry A. Craig, a graduate of Alma college with the class of 1909 has accepted the position of superintendent of the public schools of Charlevoix. Mr. Craig served as principal of the Charlevoix high school the past two years and the promotion shows a recognition of his ability by the school board. Previous to his work in Charlevoix he taught in the Mt. Pleasant high school.

St. John's Church.

During Holy Week, from April 6th to April 9th, inclusive, there will be a celebration of Holy Communion each morning at 9:30. On Thursday a special invitation is given to all Christian people to share the Communion in remembrance of Christ's saying: By this shall all men know that ye are My disciples if ye have love one to another. Each evening there will be evening prayer at 7:30. On Good Friday there will be a three hours' Commemoration Service beginning promptly at noon. During the three hours the congregation may come and go quietly at their convenience so as to be able to share some part, at least, of the Service.

J. FRANK JACKSON, Rector.

CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP.

Mr. Leonard Mitchell sold his drug store business Tuesday to Mr. W. Alex. Brunner of Howard City. Mr. Brunner took possession at once and will take up his residence here this week. This store is best known as the Sharrar Store. Mr. Mitchell having been in charge only since last fall.

Miss Edith Platt returned Saturday from a visit with her parents in Vestaburg.

If It's Wooltex or Printzess You know the style is right!

The labels inside the collar of your suit or coat is a style-right guarantee. Behind it stands the judgement of men who follow keenly every change and development in the world of fashion, who know how best to express them in forms that will be pleasing to you, that will be adaptable to your requirements. If its a Wooltex or a Printzess you KNOW the material is right, for it's all wool and the two year guarantee that goes with every garment insures the utmost service.

NEWEST SUIT, COAT, SKIRT STYLES

are here in endless variety for your inspection. Will you come now and pick out the garment that most becomes you.

Correct Styles for Easter Gowns

The Style Leadership so jealously maintained season after season by this store is your guarantee of satisfaction wherever the Easter Dress Problem is approached.

For style, quality, character and all-round service of our offerings, we believe the reputation enjoyed by the Dress Goods Service of this store cannot fail to reassure you that the fabrics shown are ABSOLUTELY CORRECT, and in strict accord with the ideas now being displayed in the Fashion Centers of the land. Our displays of

Dress and Wash Goods

are replete with helpful and worth-while Springtime Apparel Suggestions and if you are on the lookout for suitable materials for

your Easter Outfit you cannot spend a more profitable half-hour anywhere than HERE and NOW.

Prominent in this remarkable exhibit and deserving of special mention because of their distinctive styles and exceptional qualities are the very newest ideas in Silk Poplins, Chiffon Voiles, Crepe Damasse, Mercerized Taffetas, Brocaded Crepe de Chine, Eponges, Printed Silk, Silk and Wool, and Silk and Cotton Fabrics, Composee effects.

As these are all new styles, representing the very best qualities obtainable, we specially suggest that you examine and compare them carefully before making a selection.

Prices 15c to \$2.50 the Yard.

D. W. ROBINSON

Two Stores

"The Store that Sells Wooltex"

Alma, Mich.

CORONER'S INQUEST.

The official inquest of the body of John Smith who died at the residence of Carl Schultke on Washington Ave., on the night of the 23rd of March was held in the office of Jas. K. Wright, Justice of the Peace, on the 26th of March, while the body was in the undertaking room of A. E. Branch. The report made was that he had acute congestion of the inner lining of the heart, which was probably caused by excessive drink, but there was no evidence of poisoning. Dr. Yerington was present and Newell Smith acted for Prosecuting Attorney J. M. Everdeen, who was ill. A. E. Branch, the undertaker, and the jury was composed of Geo. Houseman, Chas. Spencer, A. E. Alward, Carl Davidson, Henry Davidson and E. N. Boyles.

Shower for Miss Pinney.

Miss Teada Pinney was the guest of honor at a kitchen shower given by the Misses Harriet McGraham, Grace Kramer and Olive Smith at Miss Smith's home on West Superior street, last week, Wednesday evening. The public school teachers were the guests and the evening was pleasantly spent with fancy work and music. Miss Pinney received many useful kitchen utensils, which she drew from a "Jack Horner Pie."

Ezra Smith Home.

Mr. Smith returned home last Friday evening after having enjoyed a two weeks' vacation in southern cities. While absent from his duties at the post office, Mr. Smith visited Chattanooga, Memphis, Birmingham and other cities, only to return more convinced than ever that Alma is the ideal place in which to make your residence.

"Gypsy Rovers."

Coming soon! April 29 and 30. "Gypsy Rover" comic opera in three acts. Lots of Gypsies and Colonial people in beautiful Oriental costumes. Given under auspices of St. Johns Episcopal church. MRS. CHAS. O. WARD, Pres. Ladies Guild.

UNITED BRETHREN

There will be preaching next Sunday at 10:00 a. m. The pastor desires to thank those who were present at the last service and to invite them back again. Services also at the Davis school house at 3:00 P. M.

E. C. Clapp, pastor, 119 Hastings St. C. W. Blunt has sold his share of the Arcade Barber shop to Mr. Bellou of Saginaw and formerly of Merrill. Mr. Blunt has been with Ed. Davis for better than a year.

METHODIST NOTES

First Methodist Episcopal Church. Rev. Thomas G. K. Brownlow, Minister. Parsonage, 724 State St. Union phone No. 43.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

10 a. m.—Preaching by the pastor. Topic, "Learning How to Walk." 11:30—Bible School. 6 P. M.—Epworth League. 7 P. M.—Preaching by the pastor. Topic, "A Boy That Went Wrong." Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30 P. M. Topic, "Temperance and How to Promote It."

The pastor will give a short talk to the children preceding the morning sermon. Parents are urged to be present and have their children with them.

The study class, "Talks to Young Methodists," conducted by the Pastor, will be held for one hour at the close of the prayer meeting Thursday evening. A welcome is extended to all. There will be special music by the choir Sunday morning and evening. You are invited to come and enjoy the music.

Rev. Brownlow was called to Battle Creek Friday to officiate at a funeral. A number of women united with the W. F. M. S. last Sunday morning.

The Ladies' Aid Society met with Mrs. Overmire last Tuesday. The society was well attended. Rev. Brownlow attended the Epworth League cabinet meeting in Lansing Tuesday of this week.

The W. F. M. S. will meet with Mrs. Alfred Smith Friday at 2:30 p. m.

LADIES' SWITCHES.

Hair braids and switches made from your own combings. Price \$1.50.

MRS. W. T. SWITZER, 1830½ 831 River Ave.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to our neighbors and friends for the kindness shown us at the death of our little son and for the flowers received.

JR. and MRS. THEODORE STRACK.

MI-O-NA QUICKLY ENDS INDIGESTION

Do not continue to suffer with heartburn, dizziness, after dinner distress, headache, biliousness, pain in the bowels or sour and gassy stomach. Get relief at once—buy today—a 50c box of Mi-o-na Tablets. They quickly and surely end indigestion and stomach distress—or money refunded.

CHAS. RHODES

ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

FOR SALE—One black gelding, four years old, weight 1700 pounds. Work anywhere. Enquire Alma R. F. D. 4, Bell telephone. ALEX DORA.

FOR SALE—At a very low price, 50 Bedsteads, some oak, some ash, some walnut, come and look them over if you want to buy a bedstead. H. Montague, Sup't. Mich. Masonic Home.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—One gray Percheron stallion, two light mares, one colt, four farms. Enquire of

CHARLES SULLIVAN Alma, R. F. D. No. 1. 1829½

WANTED—Carpet and rug weaving. Call Mrs. D. Allen, 127 Grafton Ave.

WANTED—Single man by the month. J. H. LANSIA W. 1829½

MINT ROOTS. For Sale—A. Wing, 1-2 miles east, 1-3-4 south of Elm Hall. 1729½

FOR SALE—Immediately, house and household goods. V. W. Shepard, 318 Woodworth. x

FOR SALE, RENT or TRADE—House and lot. Modern improvements. 215 W. Superior St. x

FOR SALE—Two houses and lots in Alma. 100 acre farm in Emerson. Can be bought cheap if sold at once. Inquire of J. S. Caple, Alma.

FOR SALE—Brunswick-Balke-Coller Pool Table, 8x4. Bert Bridwell, Vestaburg, Mich. 1828-3

FOUND—In the city of Alma, a watch and chain. Owner can have same by proving property and paying for this notice. Inquire at 147 Valley Ave. 1827½

FOR SALE—Seven brood sows, one Chester White male, Enquire of D. Frick or at Brewer's Meat Market, Alma. 1828½

FOR RENT—Furnished Rooms. Alma Garage. tf

DRAYING—For work in this line telephone SMITH & WALSTOW.

LOST—A pocket book containing considerable money in checks and currency. Finder leave at this office and receive reward. 1829½

FOR SALE. Buff Orpington and Buff Leghorn eggs, at \$1.00 per setting of 15, from prize-winning stock. Great winter layers. Birds scoring 91 1-2 to 93 1-4. Cockerels weighing 9 lbs. at 6 months, pullets, 8 lbs. Also, 50-egg incubator, good as new. Andrew Shaw, 420 W. Superior St. x

FOR SALE—At a very low price, 50 Bedsteads, some oak, some ash, some walnut, come and look them over if you want to buy a bedstead. H. Montague, Sup't.

FOR SALE—Two new milch cows. C. R. Ring, Union phone 95-2S1L. x

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left me with a frightful cough and very weak. I had spells when I could hardly breathe or speak for 10 to 30 minutes. My doctor could not help me, but I was completely cured by DR. KING'S New Discovery Mrs. J. E. Cox, Joliet, Ill. 50c AND \$1.00 AT ALL DRUGGISTS.

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